Partnerships & Water System Organizational Structures

System Partnership Spectrum

Contract Services

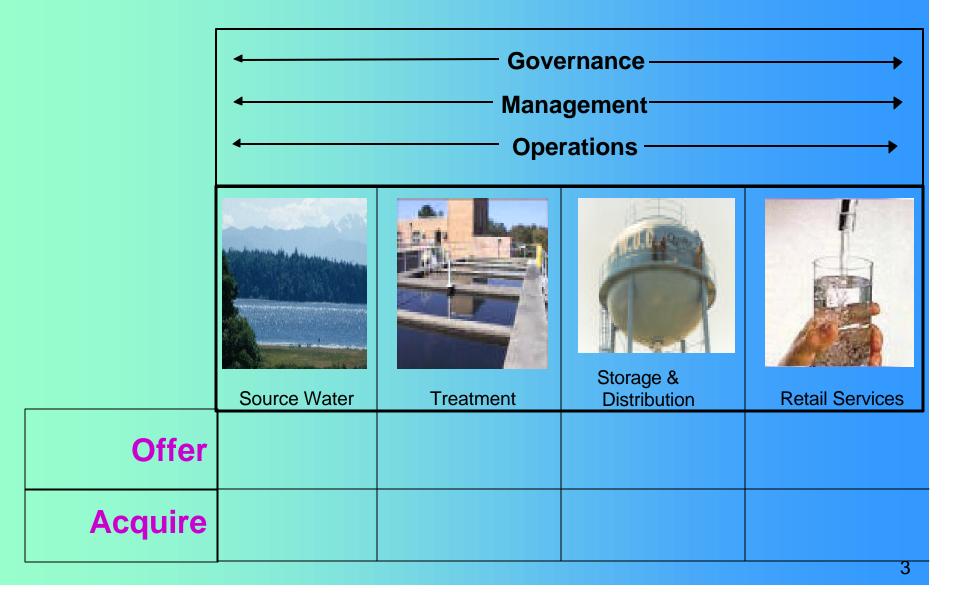
Merger

Informal Cooperation

Form a Cooperative

Acquisition

Assessing System Partnership Potential



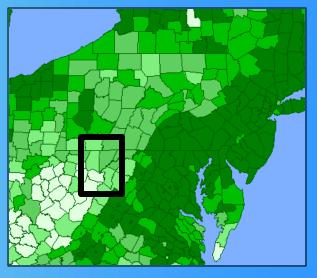
Alternative Spatial Boundaries



Multiple Systems

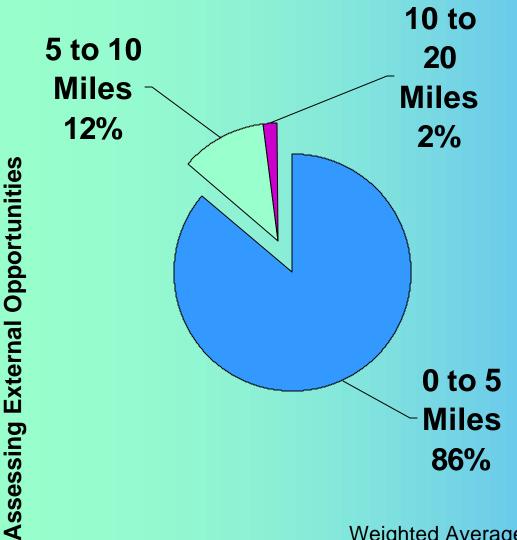


County / Multi-county

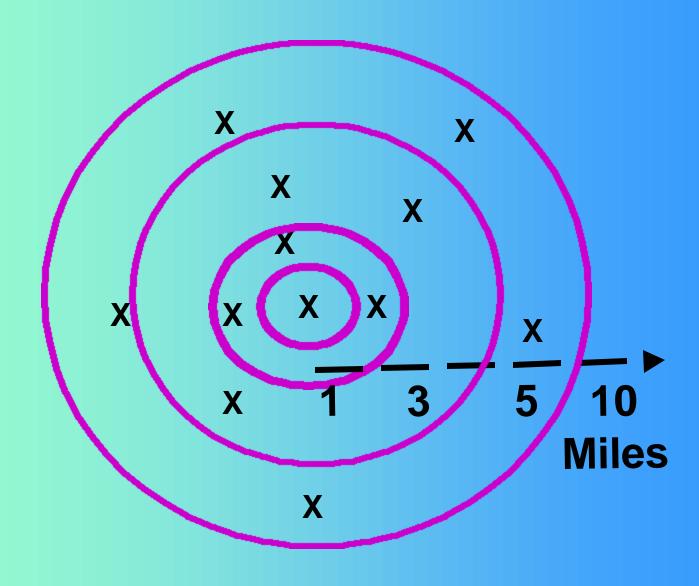


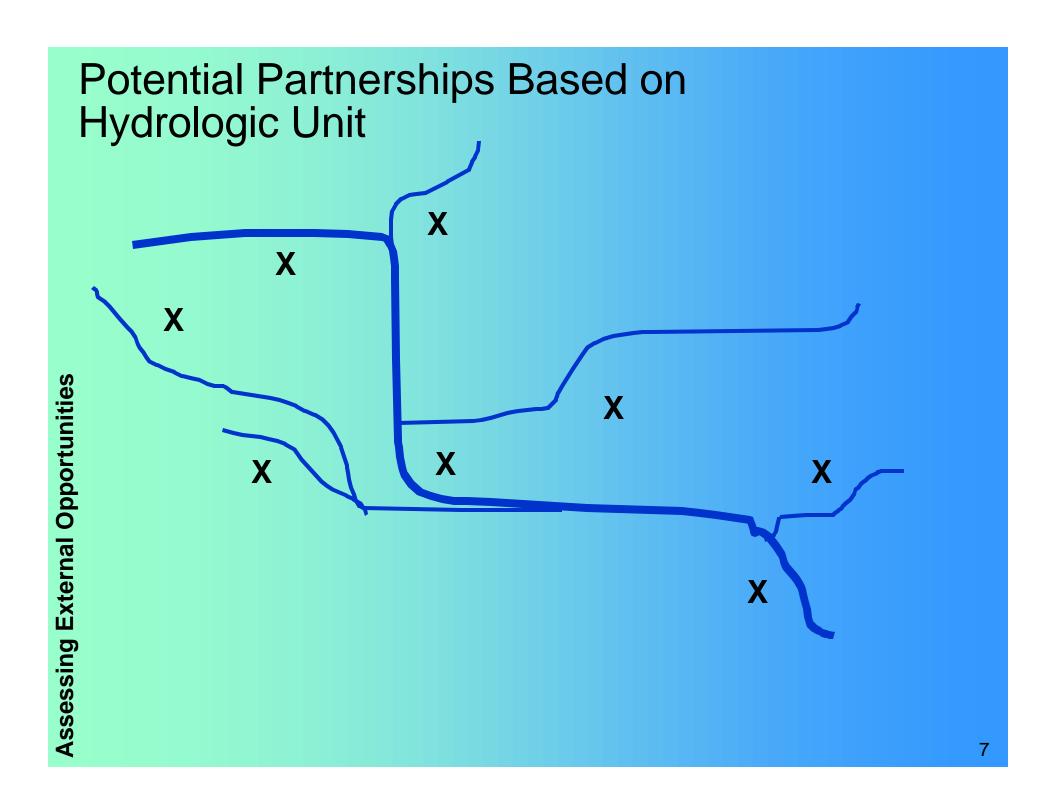
State Wide





- 86% of Small Systems
 Are within 5 Miles of
 Another System
- Nearly 100% of Small Systems Are within 20 Miles of Another System





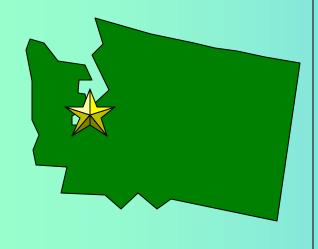
System Organizational Structures

- Public Local Government
- Public Special Purpose District
- Private For Profit
- Private Not-for-Profit

Assessing Organizational Structures

	Current Organizational Structure	Strengths	Weaknesses	Interest in Partnering
System 1				
System 2				
System n				

CASE STUDY Kitsap Public Utility District, WA



KPUD is a municipal corporation

- Elected board
- Incorporated boundaries = county
- •Formed in 1940's
 - Assumed operation of several systems in 1970's

•Serves:

- •55 systems (1/2 are Group B)
- •30,000 people
- •8,000 service connections

Kitsap Public Utility District, WA Services Offered

•UTILITY OPERATIONS

Satellite management

KPUD

System Owner

Operations

Financing

Preventive Maintenance

Rate Setting

Water Quality Monitoring

Legal Liability

Emergency Response

Record keeping

Direct ownership

- Physical interconnection
- Satellite operation

•CONTRACT & DATA SERVICES

- Wholesale supply
- Planning
- Management & monitoring
- Information services & TA

•SUPPORT ASSISTANCE

- Bulk purchase
- Training
- Source protection & resource studies
- Public education

Kitsap Public Utility District, WA

RATES



Consolidated (Postage Stamp) rates

•All systems owned by KPUD pay the same rate

Customer charges

- \$14/month Basic Service Charge (Fixed Costs)
- Increasing block rate (Commodity Charges cover Marginal Costs)
 - •\$0.75-\$1.05/100 ft³
- Assessment for newly acquired systems
 - •If needed
 - •\$2,000-\$5,000 / connection
 - Payable over 20 years

CASE STUDY Hansville Water District, WA



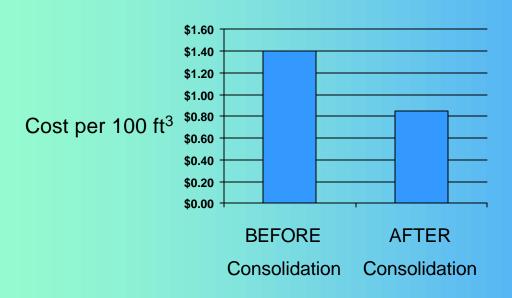
- •1,184 connections
- •SW & GW
- •Issues
 - Quantity
 - SWTR compliance
- Solution
 - Requested consolidation with KPUD

Hansville Water District, WA

KPUD tied Hansville into Kingston Water System

- •41,000 ft of 10" transmission main
- Fire hydrants
- Booster station
- Steel storage tank

Rates for Hansville customers



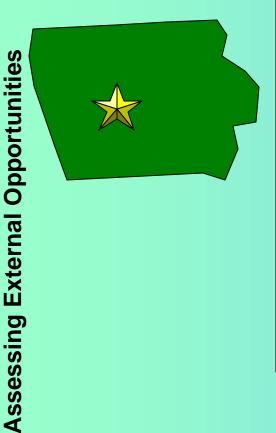
NO SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

CASE STUDY Central Iowa Water Association

- Serves 8,400 customers; 2.4 MGD
- Water purchased from Newton,
 Marshalltown, and Pella Water Works
- Provides service to 12 counties
 - Plans to expand to serve 6 more
- Provides direct retail service in 5 incorporated towns & 11 unincorporated communities
- •18 towns purchase bulk water
- 7 towns have emergency connections
- CIWA provides contract operation for 1 town's water and wastewater system



CASE STUDY Sully, IA



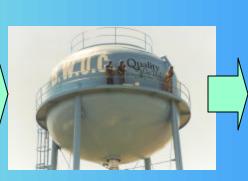
City of Sully

- Provides water to 841 people
- Concerns about condition and adequacy of:
 - Treatment
 - Storage
 - Distribution
- In 1997 city commissioned consulting engineer to prepare study of water system facilities

City of Sully, IA -- Facilities Condition









Source Water

- •1 well
- •2,300 ft deep
- •110 gpm
- •Average demand 58 gpm
- •Semi-annual inspection and preventive maintenance program
- No backup well
- •Emergency connection with CIWA

Treatment

- •Iron & Manganese removal
 - •Iron filters
 - Capacity 120 gpm
- RO Membrane
 Filtration for radium
 removal & softening
 - Capacity 110 gpm
 - Actual yield 80 gpm
 - Operating 20-22 hours/day
- Chlorination

Storage & Distribution

- Elevated tower
- •30,000 gal
- •IDNR recommends 75,000 gal for 1,000 people
 - •Emergency connection with CIWA
- •Water loss 26%
- Low fire flows mains need looping

Retail Services

- •840 people in 1996
- •Expected to increase to 1,000 people within a few years

Assessing External Opportunities

Major Issues and Options for City of Sully, IA

Adequate Water Supply and Storage Capacity

- Need backup supply and additional storage
 - Options:
 - Renew emergency contract with CIWA (CIWA serving other permanent demands)
 - Upgrade supply and storage
 - New well
 - New elevated tank
 - Full-Service connection with CIWA

Upgrading Water Treatment System

- •Replace and upgrade iron filters, and
- Provide higher capacity radium removal
 - •Add additional RO unit, or
 - Install lime softening, or
 - •Install ion exchange
- •OR, Full-service connection with CIWA

Distribution System Improvement

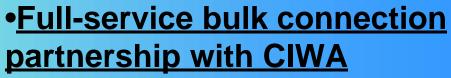
- Connect dead-end mains to improve water quality
- Loop mains to improve fire flow.

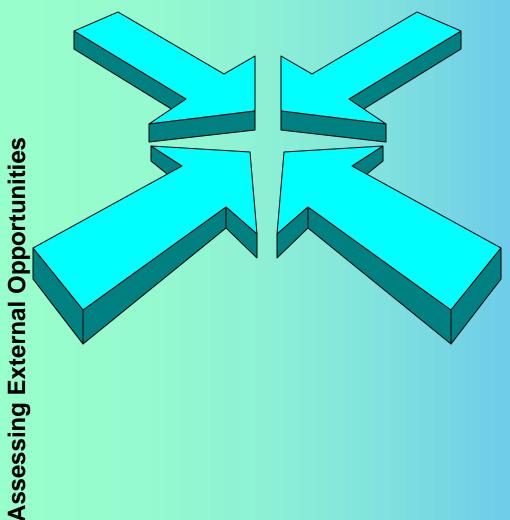
Sully, IA - Scenarios Evaluated

EMERGENCY CONNECTION			X	X	
UPGRADE SUPPLY	X	X			
REPLACE IRON FILTERS	X	X	X	X	
RO					
• Replace	X		X		
• Upgrade	X		X		
UPGRADE STORAGE	X	X			
FULL-SERVICE BULK CONNECTION WITH CIWA					X



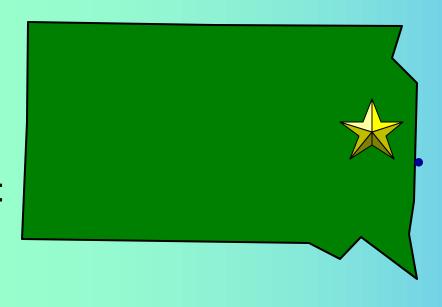
Sully, IA -- Option Selected





- Sully focuses on distribution and retail services
- •CIWA offers economies of scale
- Sully gets out of treatment business - avoids future costs
- Sully avoids costs associated with further developing its own water supply

CASE STUDY Aurora, SD



- Population 600
- System
 - Installed 1972
 - One 150 gpm Well
 - Disinfection & Fluoridation
 - One 50,000 gal elevated tower
 - Flow: Average 100 gpcd; Max 150 gpcd

Issues

- Nitrate contamination
- Hiring Certified Operator
- 20%-30% Unaccounted for water

Aurora, SD - Alternatives Considered

New Well Field & Treatment Owned by City

New Well Field & Treatment Jointly Owned by City and Big Sioux Rural Water System

Interconnect With & Purchase Water Wholesale From City of Brookings

Interconnect With & Purchase Water
Wholesale From the Brookings-Deuel Rural
Water System

Aurora, SD Capacity Perspective on Alternatives

	New Well & Treatment – City Owned	New Well & Treatment – Jointly Owned	Interconnect & Wholesale Purchase – Brookings	Interconnect & Wholesale Purchase – Brookings- Deuel
Nitrate Compliance	+	+	+	+
Control of Rates	+	+	_	<u> </u>
Liability for Future Treatment	1	-	+	+
Certified Operator	1	-	+	+
Access to Technical & Managerial Assistance	-	+	+	+
\$/1000 gal	4.67	3.75	3.21	3.30

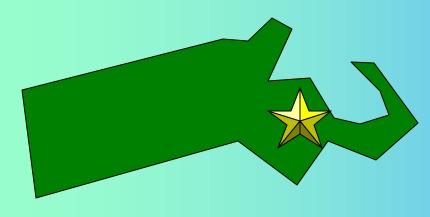
+ = Advantage

- = Disadvantage

CASE STUDY Cohasset, MA



- 3 MGD SW Treatment Plant.
- Board of Water Commissioners
 - Part-time, volunteers
 - Were focused on managing dayto-day system operations
 - Could not find replacement for water system superintendent
 - Wanted to focus energy on planning; not on daily oversight



Cohasset, MA

- Board decided to contract out system operation.
- First 3-Year contract to a joint venture.
- Second 3-Year contract with American Water Services, Inc.
 - Full-Service management, operation, & maintenance contract.

AWS Responsibilities

Treatment Facilities
Distribution Facilities
Cross Connection Program
Meter Reading
Meter Repair &
Replacement
Customer Services
Accounting & Reporting
Personnel Administration

Town Responsibilities

Capital Improvement Decisions
Funding
Construction Contracting

Benefits of Privatization - Cohasset, MA

- Board Now Focuses On Long-Range Planning.
- Board Developed Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan.
 - Water Main Improvements
 - Treatment System Upgrades
 - SCADA System Installed
 - New Storage Tank Constructed
- Rates Have Not Increased.